

Two Charge Son Of Millionaire With Bigamy

J. D. Grafton, of Pittsburgh, Said to Have Wedded 17 Days Before Marrying Peggy Davis, 'Follies' Girl

No. 1 Before Grand Jury

Mother of No. 2 Accompanies Her: Records Bear Out Allegations of 2 Women

An investigation was begun yesterday by Assistant District Attorney Murphy on allegations that Joseph Grafton, said to be the son of a millionaire furniture manufacturer of Pittsburgh, committed bigamy when he married Peggy Davis, seventeen years old, of "The Follies." Three weeks previous to his marriage to Peggy Davis he early in December Grafton, it is alleged, married Ellen Gruffy McIntyre in Youngstown, Ohio.

Murphy, acting under instructions from District Attorney Banton, went before the grand jury yesterday accompanied by Mrs. Capella Laird, mother of Peggy Davis; Ellen Gruffy McIntyre and Albert A. Sheppard, of "The Garment News," 150 Lafayette Street. Miss McIntyre was armed with a marriage certificate showing that she had been married to Grafton in Youngstown on November 23, seventeen days before the marriage of Miss Davis and Grafton at the Union Presbyterian Church, Madison Avenue. New York records show that on December 10, 1921, Joseph D. Grafton and Mary Margaret Laird were married there.

Records Show Youngstown Marriage. Records of Youngstown show that Grafton and Miss McIntyre were married by Justice of the Peace J. B. Rosenstock on the date mentioned. After she had told her story before the grand jury, Miss McIntyre told reporters of Grafton's ardent love making. She said he "swept me off my feet." His wooing, she said, caused her to break off her engagement to marry a school chum. Her marriage to Grafton was objected to by her family, she said. The objection was because of Grafton's numerous escapades.

Following the marriage, she accompanied Grafton to Cleveland, where they lived for a time in the Winton Hotel, later coming to New York and stopping at the Hotel Markwell. Here, she said, Grafton was introduced to her, and she was forced to leave the hotel and go to a boarding-house at 151 West Seventy-fourth Street, where she now lives. Grafton's desertion, she said, left her without funds, and she was obliged to leave most of her belongings at the Markwell as security for a bill against her.

Bride Got Money From Home.

While honeymooning in New York Miss McIntyre said Grafton induced her to write home to St. Louis, telling her that they were to be married. She then held up an account of an affair he had with an actress named "Polly Lorraine." Miss McIntyre said she received \$500, and with it they were able to live very comfortably for several weeks.

Mrs. Laird, Miss Davis's mother, in the presence of her attorney, Charles E. Smith, of 1112 Broadway, said that her daughter had not been married. She was only twelve years old. This meeting took place in St. Augustine, Fla., where Miss Davis was engaged in a picture being filmed.

Grafton's alleged marriage to "Polly Lorraine" was published, according to the procedure, according to Mrs. Laird, Grafton told her that he had married her. The marriage was kept secret.

Grafton and his bride left New York shortly after the marriage ceremony was held at the Hotel Markwell. Mrs. Laird said, and here, at her daughter's request, set up housekeeping in an apartment for which they paid \$40 a month. Peggy had decided to give up her stage career and become a housewife.

Peggy Davis Abduction Case.

Peggy Davis has appeared at the District Attorney's office. Early last fall she went there with her attorney for the purpose of filing a complaint against two reputed wealthy oil men for abduction of herself and another girl who at the time was appearing at "The Follies."

Miss Davis told Assistant District Attorney Morton that the two young men induced her and the other actress to go to the city of New York. She said that one of the young men in Greenwich, Conn., and told them they would spend the week-end there. The girls consented, according to the story told by Miss Davis, at that time, but instead of going to Greenwich, as had been arranged, the party stopped off at a roadside in Westchester County and decided to stay there for the night because the driver of the car was ill. The young man, who was driving, was named as being registered the party of four as two married couples and rooms were assigned to them.

Miss Davis said that she was wrong, and left her room and ran down stairs. She told her plight to the manager and demanded that he assign her to another room. He did. The next morning she refused to continue the trip to Greenwich, and returned to New York, where she immediately broke off relations with the Greenwich young man and told her mother of the Westchester episode. Then she visited her lawyer, and a civil and criminal prosecution was taken against the oil men. However, the criminal inquiry did not go through. The District Attorney decided that if any crime had been committed it had been committed in Westchester County and should be prosecuted there.

It was about the time that the complaint was being made by Miss Davis to the District Attorney that she met Grafton. After this meeting the intended complaint against the two men who had taken her and her companion to Westchester was dropped, her attorney said.

Mrs. Laird admitted yesterday that the Westchester affair had never been told to Grafton. Her daughter, Mrs. Laird explained, dropped the abduction complaint because she was afraid it would be misunderstood. "Peggy is very sensitive about such matters," Mrs. Laird said.

Miss Davis is now a patient in a sanatorium, where she is convalescing from a recent operation. Miss McIntyre asserted yesterday that she did not intend to sue Grafton as co-respondent in a possible divorce action, but said that she would try to find out whether Grafton had been married to one of the two women prior to his marriage to her. If so, she said, she would proceed to have the marriage in Youngstown annulled.

Following the testimony given before the grand jury yesterday in the alleged bigamy case, the master was closed. The grand jury will report its findings to Justice Finch in the criminal branch of the Supreme Court to-day.

Special Dispatch to The Tribune. PITTSBURGH, April 5.—George Grafton, manager of the local branch of the

Mariette Chair Company, when asked to-day if he had heard of the marriage of his son, Donald, to Peggy Davis in New York, answered: "I don't know anything about him and I don't want to know anything. I washed my hands of him years ago, and do not care to listen to anything concerning him."

Court Orders Inquiry Into Morosco Divorce

Detroit Judge Questions Legality of Residence Claimed by Theatrical Producer

Special Dispatch to The Tribune.

DETROIT, April 5.—Edward Pokorny, friend of the court, was ordered by Judge Dingeman to-day to investigate the circumstances under which Oliver Morosco, theatrical producer, filed his bill for divorce here, claiming Michigan residence.

Mrs. Morosco was granted a decree March 29 on a cross bill, with which she returned to Morosco's charges of extreme cruelty, and word was received here to-day that Morosco had married Selma Paley, named as co-respondent, three days after the decree. The bill was filed under the name of Mitchell, said to be Morosco's real name.

Judge Dingeman declared that he did not know Mitchell was Morosco, and predicted legal complications for the producer should Mr. Pokorny's investigation disclose illegality in the method by which he sought to get his divorce. Morosco's charges against his wife were not serious. He asked her of a nagging and imperious disposition and of trying to bend his will to hers and to "extinguish his individuality."

Dr. Held Must Pay Thousands Back to Huyler Trust Fund

Surrogate Confirms Report of Referee That Charges Against His Son's Income Should Be Met by Doctor

Surrogate Foley confirmed yesterday the report of Lawrence Godkin, as referee, who recommended to the court that Dr. R. H. Johnson held be surcharged against his son, John S. Huyler, while Dr. Held acted as general guardian for his son, who has interests in trust estates created by his grandfather, the late John S. Huyler, candy manufacturer and a maternal uncle. John S. Huyler Held, who is eighteen years old, is a student at Princeton. Dr. Held was a major in the army in the war. He filed his accounting as guardian of his son, Alfred Ely, who was appointed special guardian for the young man to look after his legal interests, and objections in the Surrogate's Court to the accounting of the father. Mr. Godkin was appointed referee to pass upon the accounting and the objections.

Collected \$50,000. The referee found that Dr. Held, since he took charge of his son's estate in 1914, received \$50,000 of the income and charged against his son disbursements that were not made for him. One of the items of the accounting which Mr. Godkin recommended should be surcharged to the father was \$1,926 paid to R. Altman & Co.

John S. Huyler Held testified that he had never been in the Altman store, and that he had never seen anything from there. Another item of \$906 represented articles purchased from Franklin Simon & Co., which the referee said "could not be traced to his natural guardian, but for the boy's use." An account with Wanamaker amounted to \$1,628. A ruby and diamond scarf pin costing \$250, and purchased from Marcus & Co. also came under the consideration of the referee. Dr. Held said that his son and daughter bought them as a gift to him. The children said they had no knowledge of the gift.

Home Expenses Charged.

All these items will be surcharged to Dr. Held, as will several others. Some such items have to do with the upkeep of an apartment at 376 Park Avenue and a country place at Moylan, Pa. After the death of Mrs. Held, the doctor's second wife was Mrs. Emilee Shoen Johnson, a widow and daughter of Charles Shoen, a retired steel manufacturer, whose plant was absorbed by the United States Steel Corporation. Dr. Held lived with his second wife and children of his first wife at the Park Avenue apartment and at the Moylan residence.

Dr. Held is surcharged \$2,127 which he charged against his son for his share of the rent and running expenses of the two homes. Referee Godkin pointed out that the son was at these two places only for brief periods during his vacation. Dr. Held was in the army from 1917 to 1919. During that time most of his affairs were in charge, and in this way he said, he lost many of the vouchers for the articles which he said he purchased for his son and charged against him.

20 Soldiers Locked Up In \$250,000 Thefts

Military authorities at Camp Dix, N. J., announced yesterday that they had rounded up, with the aid of the State police, a gang of thieves responsible for nearly \$250,000 loss in camp equipment stolen from army depots during the last two years. The loot included small arms, saddles, clothing, blankets and other equipment.

The statement issued from Camp Dix says outside thieves, former members of the service, aided by men still in uniform, engineered the robberies. Sentries were placed with liquor until unconscious, it is said. In the search for the perpetrators army secret service men worked from inside the camp, while the newly organized state police co-operated from the outside. Colonel Dennis P. Quinlan, judge advocate of Camp Dix, said last night that full credit for the capture was due to the state troopers.

Frank McCreary was arrested at the Wrightstown hotel, Wrightstown, N. J., yesterday. With him was Robert Richards, of Bordentown. They are said to have been in possession of stolen property when placed in custody. Immediately following their arrests twenty soldiers in the camp were locked up. The names of these prisoners were withheld. According to Colonel Quinlan, a large part of the stolen property has been recovered.

Students Call Off Strike

GLOUCESTER, N. J., April 5.—The High School students' strike called Monday in defense of William Katcher, instructor in social hygiene, who was suspended by the school board, charged with having delivered an improper lecture to mixed classes on that topic, was abandoned at the conclusion of a public meeting here to-night.

Katcher addressed the gathering, characterizing the charge made against him as "an infernal lie." He called on the parents of his pupils who were present at the meeting to defend him against aspersion and to see that he was given a fair hearing. The instructor also visited his classrooms in the morning and urged pupils to support him in the controversy.

Mayor Anderson, in addressing the meeting, said students would be permitted to voice their views at a meeting of the School Board Friday afternoon, urging them to return to classes and await action of the board.

Triple Inquiry In Slaying of Col. Beck Begun

Army Court Orders All Insignia Stripped From the Uniform of Air Chief, Killed by Husband

Dry Agents Enter Case

Day Insists That He Wants to Face the Court; Killed as Any Man Would

Special Dispatch to The Tribune.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., April 5.—A triple investigation into the tragedy growing out of the killing of Lieutenant Colonel Paul Ward Beck, forty-four years old, army aviator, and Commandant at Fort Sill, by former Judge Jean P. Day in the Day home early Tuesday was begun to-day.

The army, through a military court presided over by Major Thomas B. Lanther; the state, acting through Coroner A. W. McWilliams, and the Federal government, represented by Millard F. Meadows, prohibition director of Oklahoma, united to sift the story told by Day, now a wealthy oil operator, that he shot Lieutenant Colonel Beck when he found him struggling with Mrs. Day. Meanwhile, brother officers of the dead aviator visited the county morgue and stripped his blood-soaked uniform of all rank, insignia and decorations.

At Fort Sill it was said the action of Lieutenant J. E. Walker, acting upon written orders from the military court, had no bearing on the charges made against the aviator's conduct in the Day home preceding the tragedy. Military men refused to explain the significance of the act, but admitted it is "not customary to remove the insignia and decorations from an army man's uniform."

Day and his wife—her mind a blank in the hysteria of the death scene, according to her statement—were the only eyewitnesses to the killing. Day announced to-night that both he and his wife would tell the story of the slaying at the coroner's inquest.

Forrest L. Hughes, prosecuting attorney, said: "I will tell Mr. Day that unless he and his wife testify at the coroner's inquest Saturday, I see but one resource—the filing of a charge of murder against Mr. Day. There are a number of points which have not been made clear in this killing, and these will have to be cleared up before Day can go free."

Moman Pruitt, attorney for Day, said his client desired court action. "If Mr. Hughes desired to file a murder charge it is agreeable to us," Pruitt replied to the prosecutor. "Mr. Day was within the rights of every able-bodied American."

Mrs. Day told of the events leading up to the tragedy for the first time to-day. Confined to her bed under the care of doctors and refused the right to see any one, the central figure of the tragedy, despite the pleas of friends, gave her version of the affair.

"My husband killed Beck because he attacked me," Mrs. Day said. "My husband and I have known Beck intimately. We regarded him as our friend. We entertained him at our home on many occasions."

"One time he called when my husband was away, but it was a very brief visit. However, each time he called previous to Monday night he acted as a perfect gentleman. We greatly enjoyed having him. He was brilliant and an acceptable addition to any company."

"Early Tuesday morning, however, shortly after 3 P. M. Day left the house in our automobile to take our guests to their homes. Beck became a monster—a beast. He seized me by the wrists and threw one arm around me. Nothing like this had ever occurred before, and I was dumfounded. For a moment I could not speak. Then, as he continued to hold me, he cried out his love and made improper proposals to me—screamed for him to stop, but I struggled in vain to free myself from his grasp."

"How long we struggled there I don't know. "But I remember my husband coming in. I saw him first from the door, and I knew I was safe. "After that—well, the first thing I remember was the police telling me to be quiet, that I needed rest. "What happened during that interval I do not know. "I love my husband and my baby—they had all my love," Mrs. Day concluded.

The Days have been married twenty-two years. Their daughter, Doris, is eighteen years old and a student at the University of Oklahoma. She returned to her home Wednesday. "My wife," said Day, at the conclusion of his statement, "is the dearest, noblest woman on earth—under the circumstances could any red-blooded American man do less than I did?"

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Cromwell Sweeps Kansas City

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Let John Faithful Hylan Pose For 'Civic Virtue,' Women Plead

They Spare Not Mayor's Blushes in Urging That He Possesses Clear Title to Perfect Model; MacMonnies Statue to Go in Park for Public's Decision

Some of the women who are opposed to the placing of the MacMonnies statue, "Civic Virtue," in City Hall Park suggested at the second hearing on the problem yesterday that Mayor Hylan pose for a substitute statue. They insisted that he represented all that the title implies. The Mayor seemed much embarrassed, but pleased.

Mr. Hylan received the suggestion with a countenance ruddier than usual and merely rapped for order without comment. Mrs. Hylan and her daughter, Mrs. James F. Sinnott, occupied seats on the rostrum not far from the Mayor.

The Mayor's nomination for model came toward the close of the hearing, when a score of proponents and opponents of the MacMonnies group had expressed their opinions, with the proponents having the better of it, which was not the case at the first hearing two weeks ago. The art faction rallied to the defense of the sculptor at yesterday's hearing and were in the majority.

Mary Jane Lee, representing the Home Rule League of the Bronx, spoke in high praise of the Hylan administration and suggested that the Mayor's figure be used in place of the MacMonnies gladiator with mermaid's sirens at his feet. She declared that the Mayor had cleaned up the city and made it safe for women. This sentiment was cheered by most of the women in the room. The Mayor had to rap for some time before he got order and then the applause broke out again when Miss M. F. Johnson, of the Brooklyn Alliance Club, and Mrs. A. Donnelly, suffrage leader, expressed themselves in favor of the proposition. They were of the opinion that Mayor Hylan represented civic virtue.

Woman Might Be Central Figure

While Mrs. Donnelly approved the suggestion that the Mayor become a model, she also submitted an alternate proposal that a woman might be used as the central figure of the art faction. Some of the women also applauded this suggestion, and were joined by a few of the men present.

The result of the hearing appeared to be a partial victory for the art faction. The suggestion of Park Commissioner Francis D. Gallatin that the statue be placed in its scheduled location, on the base of the fountain in City Hall Park, and the public given an opportunity to decide whether it was appropriate, probably will be carried out. The Mayor, who sided with the women objectors at the first hearing, conferred with the Park Commissioner after the meeting yesterday, and it is understood it was decided to put the group in place next week and let the people decide.

"I favor putting up the MacMonnies statue," said Commissioner Gallatin at the hearing, "and allowing the public to decide its fate. If the people say it is objectionable, let it be taken down. If we shall at least have been fair. Sirens, as is known, are not women. Coming down town to-day I saw a devil on a billboard. He was represented as a man, but should man object to being so portrayed?"

The Park Commissioner pointed out that the city must bear the cost of the statue, and that it was not clear whether it was put in place or not, and that, furthermore, the city will have to pay the cost of a substitute if "Civic Virtue" is accepted.

Mayor Hylan and Deputy Comptroller Henry Smith, who declared at

Blows Charged in Legion Governor of Louisiana

Patient's Hospital Death

Miller To Be Asked for Inquiry Into Two Cases at Willard State Institution.

Special Dispatch to The Tribune. GENEVA, N. Y., April 5.—A rigid investigation of Willard State Hospital, near here, by Governor Miller will be urged by E. S. Church, District Attorney of Seneca County, as a result of a conference yesterday with representatives of the American Legion. Two mysterious deaths have occurred at the institution in the last few years, one that of an ex-serviceman, John William O'Brien, of Auburn, N. Y., who was found in his ward, his body beaten and blue and with four ribs broken. The case was quickly dropped until recently, when the father, assisted by Legion officials, demanded an investigation.

Matthew O'Brien, father of the boy, said that on several occasions when he visited his son, he found his body bruised, and once the young man was unable to talk, saying later that the attendants had put a wet towel about his neck to force him to move around.

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Farm Family of 6 Hacked by Axman; 1 Dead, House Fired

Widower, Bound With Wire, Is Unable to Name Assailant; Girl of 8 Only One of Them With Clance to Live

CONCORDIA, Kan., April 5.—Using the family ax as a weapon, some one early to-day killed Theodore Tremblay, eighteen years old, hacked four of Theodore's younger brothers, three probably fatally, injured the father and set fire to the house and barn at the Tremblay home near St. Joseph. Officers said to-night they were without clues. The elder Tremblay, a widower, who is only slightly injured, could throw no light on the murder. The crime was discovered by neighbors attracted by the blazing house and barn.

Joseph Bachand, the first to arrive, told officers he found the father at the rear of the house. His feet and hands were tied with wire and he seemed dazed and was bleeding. Bachand said. He was only partly dressed, and collapsed when Bachand appeared.

Bachand said he carried Tremblay to the front porch and went into the burning house, where he removed the four younger children, Albert, fourteen years old; Francis, twelve; Alphons, ten, and Cleo, eight. Cleo is the only one who has a chance to recover, according to physicians. In the barn, Bachand said, he found the burned body of Theodore.

Investigation revealed, according to officers, that the fire was started under a mattress in the father's room. There, it was said, the ax and an overturned lantern were found. Tremblay's wife died about a year ago. There are three older married daughters. The youngest girl, five years old, spent last night at the home of one of her sisters. Another son, Philip, sixteen years old, is employed by a farmer living five miles away. Tremblay, who is forty-eight years old, owns 240 acres of land and is Trustee of Shirley Township.

Ex-Kaiser Sips H2O And Writes of Orchids

Refuses the Wine Cup and Embodies Views of Arms Conference in Short Essays

BERLIN, April 5.—Some new details concerning the former Kaiser's mode of life at Doorn were furnished by the former court chaplain, Dr. Vogel, in the course of an address delivered recently at Koenigsberg. "His lunch," said Dr. Vogel, "consists of soup and meat with rice. His guests are given a glass of wine, but he himself drinks water. After a short siesta he begins a period of intensive mental work."

As an example of this mental work the speaker mentioned the fact that William each day during the Washington conference made notes from ten newspapers and formulated his views thereon in a short essay. He has also written a book about the cultivation of orchids and has erected a meteorological station, the records of which he sends daily to Berlin.

"The ex-Kaiser," continued the chaplain, "wears a short brown jacket and high boots during the day and a field-gray uniform in the evening. After dinner he reads aloud extracts from Goethe's 'Faust' and Chamberlain's book entitled 'Man and God.'"

Harding Favors Bigger Army, Kahn Declares

House Military Affairs Head Asports President Hopes Senate Will Oppose Heavy Cut

From the Tribune's Washington Bureau WASHINGTON, April 5.—Representative Julius Kahn, chairman of the House Committee on Military Affairs, conferred with President Harding to-day regarding the cut made by the House in the army to 115,000 and expressed the hope that the Senate might look more kindly upon a larger army. He indicated that the Senate Committee on Military Affairs was inclined to favor an army of 130,000, with 15,000 officers. The bill as passed by the House provided for 11,000 officers.

Mr. Kahn, who has consistently stood for a larger army than that provided for in the bill passed by the House, said that the President was desirous of seeing the Senate take action with a view to enlarging the number of troops in the standing army.

The opinion of the Attorney General, made public to-day, was the result of a recent inquiry by the Governor as to whether a statute enacted to prevent unlawful gatherings in the days immediately after the Civil War had been repealed, and whether it would apply to masked assemblies and parades. The Attorney General gave his opinion that neither an assembly or parade would come within the prohibition of the statute presents a question of fact which must be determined by the circumstances of each case. "Certainly, if the attending circumstances are such as would alarm or in any manner disturb the public peace," he added, "the participants would be clearly amenable to prosecution."

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